

Legislature, as I was characterized by former Senator Pat Venditte on this very floor, let him know that I was willing to run the risk of sullyng my reputation as an antilaw enforcement person by recommending him very highly and giving him passing marks on what he has done thus far, Senator Gary Hannibal.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Withem, you are recognized for purposes of closing on the committee amendments.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Chairman and members of the body, recognizing that 95 percent of the material contained in the committee amendments is noncontroversial at this point, that the two provisions that remain controversial, I tend to believe that the committee amendments have done the best possible job of answering those at this point, further recognizing though that there are those who disagree with that but that they will offer some additional comments when we get to Select File. At this point, I think the best thing to do would be to adopt the committee amendments, hear the arguments in favor of the bill and then advance the bill. So with that, I ask you to adopt the committee amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, the motion is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay.

CLERK: Senator Beutler voting yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Please vote. Is there anybody else that wishes to vote? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The committee amendments are adopted. Are there any further amendments on the bill, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Chambers, your light remains on. Did you wish to speak again? Okay. Senator Rupp, there are no other lights on, perhaps you would wish to explain the bill and close on the bill.